Unimas grad to release health app

AWARD WINNING:
It enables health authorities to issue advance warning of outbreaks

The 32-year-old father of one is set to embark on a greater chapter after completing his three-year doctorate studies in Public Health at Unimas and with the release of the application on the market next month.

"Looking at patients in the wards, it kept me thinking and I was eager to find a way to save them before the outbreak, or how to prevent and stop an outbreak," he said.

"I am grateful for the encouragement given by Unimas to develop this application as well as the accolades I received for the invention.

"The university has been supportive and did not restrain me from pursuing my dream: even when I received a two-month scholarship to pursue graduate studies at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Research Park in Silicon Valley, United States," said Dr Dhesi, who is also the Malaysian Integrated Medical Association (Mimpa) president.

Dr Dhesi is working with mobile digital service provider, Webe, and the Health Ministry.

The app was designed to help health authorities issue advance warnings to get in front of an outbreak, or to propose prevention and stop an outbreak.

"In Western countries, the alumni is committed to helping their countries even after decades of graduating," said Kadim, adding that the university had produced 32,454 graduates since its establishment in 1992.

On the future of the university, Kadim said UniMas remained committed to making breakthroughs in research and innovation, which could create an impact on the community, such as building mini hydropower plants in remote areas and how to supply treated water to the rural community.

"I have made it a priority to ensure the university creates more such achievements," Kadim said.